

Claim 10, line 2, delete "any of claim 6 to 9", and  
insert therefor --claim 6--.

Claim 12, line 1, delete "or 11".

Claim 13, line 5, delete "any of claim 10 to 12",  
and insert therefor --claim 10--.

If, inadvertently, a proper multiple dependent claim  
has not been amended to reduce it to single dependency, please  
amend it to be dependent solely on the first-mentioned claim,  
or, if that is not possible, please cancel the claim and  
notify the undersigned.

REMARKS

The above amendments to the claims are being made in  
order to eliminate multiple dependency and for the purpose of  
reducing the filing fee. Please enter this amendment prior to  
calculation of the filing fee in this case.

Favorable consideration and allowance are earnestly  
solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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